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MERCHANDISE SALES METHOD AT AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE

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ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a merchandise sales method at an automatic **vending machine**, which is capable of contributing to the solving of consumer's inconvenience by executing **discount** sales by the irreducible minimum fed amount of money.

SOLUTION: This **machine** executes the **discount** sales of a **price Z** per one purchased merchandise when the merchandise of a unit **price Y** is consecutively purchased by not less than N-pieces (on condition that N is the integer not less than 2), which is the boundary number of **discount** sales, by the amount of money fed before a merchandise selection button is pressurized. In order to execute this sales, a message that it is possible to sell N-pieces of merchandise is displayed when the number of sales by the amount fed before the merchandise selection button is depressed is (N-1) and the balance X is less than the unit **price Y** but the sum of the balance X and (NXZ) is not less than the unit **price Y**. Then when the merchandise selection button is actually depressed, the sales operation of N-pieces of merchandise is executed.

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